



Tithe

November 14, 2021

The Root • Message 2

PRAY • POPULAR SAYING • 1 TIMOTHY 6:10A • THE REAL ROOT IS IN THE HEART • EVILS ← MONEY ← HEART

Review

- ❖ Greed, the desire for more and more, leads to **loss of faith** and **many griefs**.
- ❖ Contentment comes through **trust** and **gratitude**.
TRUSTING GOD TO KEEP PROMISES, TO DO WHAT'S GOOD. EMBRACING GRATITUDE FOR ALL HIS GIFTS.
• AT THE INTERSECTION OF GRACE AND GREED IS ANCIENT PRACTICE CALLED TITHING •

Tithing

Tithing is when I return to God the first 10% of my increase.

ILL: THIS TOPIC ALWAYS MAKES PEOPLE MAD • THE MAD PEOPLE ARE NEVER TITHERS

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 GRATITUDE — PSALM 110, HEBREWS 8 TIMES!! • GRATITUDE TO GOD

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ON THE RUN • STAIRWAY VISION / COVENANT PROMISE • VOW — PERPETUAL VOW!!
 GRATITUDE WITH HINTS OF TRUST !!

Lesson #1: God provides what is **GOOD**.

Genesis 2:8-9, 16-17 (p. 2)

GOOD FOOD, GOOD INSTRUCTION • WHY MENTION THE TREE!? • WE NEED TO TRUST & BE GRATEFUL

Lesson #2: God provides **ENOUGH**.

Exodus 16:13-20 (p. 50)

JUST ENOUGH • ILL: \$500 CHARLIE, NOW KATE • STOCK OPTION + SCHOLARSHIP ALMOST EXACT!
 I AM SO TEMPTED TO WORRY ABOUT ENOUGH.

Lesson #3: God owns the **FIRST**.

Numbers 3:11-13 (p. 92)

Leviticus 27:30 (p. 89)

Deuteronomy 26:1-2, 13-15 (p. 138)

I HAVE REMOVED IT, I HAVE NOT USED IT, BLESS US TOGETHER •• COMMUNAL BLESSING!!

Lesson #4: God promises **PROVISION**.

Malachi 3:8-11 (p. 670)

COMMUNAL / COLLECTIVE PROMISE

Mark 10:29-30 (p. 707)

A COMMUNAL / COLLECTIVE PROMISE

Take it Home

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Lafayette Community Church is here to help you follow Jesus.

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COVID Protocols

- ➔ We are asking everyone to wear face coverings in our building until the local health department removes that recommendation.
- ➔ Kidopolis kids below Kindergarten do not need to wear masks.
- ➔ We bring the kids into the auditorium during the opening set of music, so please get them checked in by 10:10am to help us do that.

Join a Group

Our church has a number of **small group** opportunities of different kinds:

- ➔ **Tuesday, 6:30pm.** Our newest group is rolling at Cory and Natalie Guthrie's home in West Lafayette! Contact Natalie here: **202-445-1715**.
- ➔ **Wednesday, 6:30pm.** Jeff and Jen host a group at their home on Lafayette's south side. Contact Jeff at **765-404-0807**.
- ➔ **Thursday, 9:30am.** Jeff leads a group at the church building.
- ➔ The Ladies' Bible Study meets on **Saturday at 9am** (by Zoom here: <https://lafayettecc.org/go/zoom>).

Fusion Youth

Fusion, our multi-church youth program meets each Sunday at 5:15pm - 7pm.

This month, Fusion is meeting **here at LCC**.

For more information, text **FUSION** to **765-207-5600**.

Christmas For Everyone

We have an opportunity to bless 25 local kids again this year by purchasing presents specifically for them for Christmas. Please contact Amanda Schoolcraft at 765-999-1821 (call or text) if you would like to sponsor one or more children, and she will give you the gift suggestion lists.

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